

Wesleyan College

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Porter \$1/4 Million Gift Insures Goal

A gift of over a quarter of a million dollars from liquidation of the Oliver S. Porter Foundation at year's end put Wesleyan well over the \$1.5 million set as a goal for its three-year capital gifts campaign. It also insured a challenge grant of \$250,000 by an anonymous foundation.

Wesleyan's president, Dr. W. Earl Strickland, was presented the gift, in the form of securities, by Howard Bivens, a trustee of the Porter fund. Other trustees are Charles C. Hertwig and Robert Train. Mercer University received a like amount.

To be used for scholarship loans and grants these funds will be available to students who have the "desire and ability to learn, scholastic merit, and financial need", with first preference given to applicants if they or their parents are employed by the Bibb Co. (formerly Bibb Manufacturing Co.), and second to residents of Bibb County.

Set up in 1930 by James Hyde Porter, the foundation, liquidated Nov. 1, is a memorial to his father, Oliver S. Porter. James Hyde Porter has long been identified as a benefactor of Wesleyan. In years past his gifts helped build the Olive Swann Porter student activities building in memory of his wife, furnished its magnificent formal parlor, and endowed a fund for its upkeep. The gymnasium was named for him, and he left funds in his will to build the Porter Family Memorial Auditorium.

A portrait of James Hyde Porter hangs in the building named for his
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"Wesleyan Purple" Dye from Camellia Blooms

Max Allen, Manchester (Ind.) College Exchange Professor, derived "Wesleyan Purple" dye from campus camellias during January course in fabric design. Mrs. Allen stitches fabric. Many camellias were planted by Octavia Burden Stewart, '06, and her late husband, Tom. Joel Plum swapped post with former professor.

Continuing Education

A two-pronged program of continuing education was instituted at Wesleyan in February.

Regularly scheduled day classes were opened to the public at a fee of \$75.00 per class, for credit or no-credit. Also, five night and a Saturday class were programmed: Introduction to Learning Disabilities and Learning Problems; Interior Decorating; Real Estate; Painting; American Folk Art; Music Appreciation.

"This program brings people of varied backgrounds and experience to the campus", said Dean Oscar C. Page, "and should prove enriching to both the Macon and the academic communities."

Fundamentals of Basic Computer Language was offered to faculty members Feb. 7-18, evenings, by Don Williams and Miss Virginia Johnson.

Escorts First Lady

NEWSWEEK, Jan. 31, 1972, Periscope: "Although Patricia Nixon will take none of her own staff to China during her visit with the President, she should have little difficulty. Her personal escort is expected to be Mme. Sun Yat-sen, widow of the leader of China's 1911 revolution, a graduate of Georgia's Wesleyan College and an elder sister of Mme. Chiang Kai-shek."

All three Soong sisters are closely associated with Wesleyan. Chung-ling or Rosamond (Mme. Sun) was graduated from Old Wesleyan in 1913; E-ling (Mrs. H. H. Kung) in '09; little Mei-ling, now First Lady of Taiwan, lived on our campus and was coached by faculty until she transferred to Wellesley to be near her brother at Harvard. All three have been generous benefactors of Wesleyan.



Sells Sculpture

"The Gum Machine", by Kasse Andrews, '72, Lynn Haven, Fla., won honorable mention at Garden Art Festival Nine, Callaway Gardens, Pine Mt., Ga., in Jan., and was selected by Juror Gail R. Scott, Assist. Curator of the Los Angeles County (Calif.) Museum of Art to be purchased for "one of the finest collections in Los Angeles", that of Mrs. Betty Asher.

Lanier Flute Played

A flute belonging to Sidney Lanier, treasured in Wesleyan's Georgia Room of the Willet Memorial Library, was played on Feb. 3 at the 130th birthday celebration of the Macon-born poet - musician - soldier, when a commemorative stamp in his honor was issued by the US Post Office.

Robert Chenoweth, formerly of the college music department, played Lanier's "Dance of the Gnats" from a manuscript which is also a part of the Georgia Room memorabilia. His desk and other relics were on special display that week, and were viewed by school children and others. President and Mrs. Strickland, among those present at the gala luncheon at the Hilton, obtained a First Day cover for the library.

Young Lanier met Mary Day, his future wife, when she and her father were refugeeing at Wesleyan during the Civil War.

Wills Her Estate

The Wesleyan family mourns the passing on Dec. 20 of Mrs. Ann Martin Holmes, '19, of Macon. In his memorial service the Rev. C. W. Hancock, of Mulberry Street United Methodist Church said: "Possessing qualities of culture, intelligence, refinement, and character, she sought to instill those virtues in the lives of the students she taught and to share them with friends she loved. Mrs. Holmes lived her life in grateful appreciation for institutions that enriched her life, namely Mulberry Street UM Church and Wesleyan College."

A devoted alumna, Mrs. Holmes presented her home to Wesleyan, when she moved into an apartment, and in her will left her entire estate to the College.

PORTER GIFT, Continued

wife. It was financed with donations from his friends and no one was allowed to give more than \$1.00; small children contributed pennies. He died in 1948.

"Mr. Porter was devoted to Wesleyan and it is appropriate that the trustees have decided to allow Wesleyan to use a portion of the funds for the same general purpose for which the foundation was set up", said Dr. Strickland. "We will ever be grateful for his generosity."

CAMPAIGN PROGRESS Through January 31, 1972

Number of Donors 1,832
Total gifts and pledges
\$2,263,490.92

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CAPITAL GIFTS CAMPAIGN ACCORDING TO SHARES

Heritage Shares (\$3,000 and up)	72	\$1,927,301.09
Achievement Shares (\$1,500-\$2,999)	26	50,896.87
Investment Shares (\$1,200-\$1,499)	12	14,525.00
Progress Shares (\$900-\$1,199)	68	68,386.50
Service Shares (\$600-\$899)	25	16,016.25
Loyalty (\$300-\$599)	311	112,428.68
Under \$300	1,318	73,936.53
Totals	1,832	\$2,263,490.92

Share Certificates are to be mailed shortly to people who have completely paid their Share in full.

Get Other Gifts

A grant of \$25,000 was received by Wesleyan from the Charles E. Merrill Trust, to be used during the current year, said President Strickland, for general purposes and for support of the Willet Memorial Library.

Many donors are voluntarily sending gifts to be added to the Dr. Fred Manget Fund, with the hope that the original amount, (\$100,000.00) may be matched, reports President Strickland. The purpose of this fund is to strengthen the Dept. of Religion.

Finish Project '72 With Interest High

The second January minimester, with its innovative concentrated courses and core presentations finished with interest and attendance high. Most popular attraction to off-campus audiences was The White Roots of Peace Indian group, according to Mrs. Joyce Reddick Schafer, project chairman; the Georgia Tour Play and ecologist I. Lear Brisbin were favorites with students. Outstanding were the opening and closing speakers, Dr. John M. Bevin, academic vice president of Davidson, and Dr. Mary I. Bunting, president of Vassar.

Back for registration for Spring term, on Feb. 7, were the group of art and history majors who travelled to France and England with Misses Cornelia Shiver and Marcia Isaacson. Five girls had done independent studies at Central State Hospital in Milledgeville, two in Washington with their Congressmen, two others as interns in state government in Boston. Another had worked in the Chicago Public Health department, and one studied the harp in Cleveland.

Three evaluators Wesleyan requested from the United Methodist Board of Education came the last week. "We hope to improve a good thing," said Dr. Donald S. Stanton, associate director of the Board, who, with Dr. John Harris, UGA, and Dr. Ida Long Rogers, of Peabody, will make recommendations for next year.

Director for Project '73 is Arch Beckelheimer, of the English Dept.

Kitchen Karavan

A tour of local kitchens is planned by Macon alumnae Thurs., Feb. 24, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Home-made bazaar and baked items will be on sale, also a Macon alumnae cookbook.



Recreation Room Named for Trice

Dedication of "Rec" Room to Reginald Trice, chairman of the Board, here with other Trustees. Board voted this recognition at its last meeting, on recommendation of Alumnae Assn.

Board to Meet

The Wesleyan Board of Trustees will hold its Spring meeting and election of officers on March 16-17. Reginald Trice, who became chairman of the board in 1963, announced his retirement from that post at the last meeting. He will continue to serve on the board.

President Elected

Wesleyan's president, Dr. W. Earl Strickland, was elected president of the Georgia Foundation for Independent Colleges at its annual meeting in Columbus, Ga. Jan. 24-25. Reelected chairman of the board was Gil R. Pirrung, Aragon Farms, Bainbridge, Ga. J. J. Doherty, vice president of Western Electric, was named chairman of the drive for funds. Wesleyan Trustee Robert E. Knox, attorney of Thomson, Ga., is a trustee of the Foundation.

Alumnae Weekend

"It will be a sentimental journey to return to Wesleyan after a quarter of a century", wrote Mary Euyang Shen, '46, from Washington, D. C. "Now that April is drawing closer, I am beginning to get quite excited about it."

Mary is to be speaker on annual Alumnae Day, April 15, and will tell of her 24 years of continuous US government service, with the Voice of America, etc. After lunch that Sat. alumnae will have a chance to chat with her, also to have Willie Snow Ethridge autograph her new book, "Strange Fires."

Alumnae Weekend begins with the President's reception at 5, before dinner on Fri., April 14. "Everyone, not just reunioners, is invited, and husbands are urged to come along, also family and friends", said Nina Shepard Terrell, national alumnae president. "Dress is to be informal all week-end".

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Friday activities \$4.00
Saturday activities 3.00

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'10 '11 '12 '17	
'26 '27 '28 '29	
'55 '56 '57 '58	

News of Wesleyan

Wesleyan Notebook, a "showcase" for the College, is again being presented by WMAZ-TV, Channel 13, Macon, to the delight of alumnae and friends in Middle Georgia. Scheduled every Sunday "after church", usually at 1, the current series opened Jan. 23 with Dr. Walter Brown and members of his class in religion. It will run until the end of the term. The Glee Club appeared in its Christmas concert on Dec. 13. Mrs. Joanne Widner coordinates the show.

The Glee Club's Georgia-Florida tour climaxed with a performance at Disney World on Feb. 4th. Accompanied by the director, Dr. Leon J. Villard and his wife, the girls started out on Jan. 30, singing at the morning service of the First United Methodist Church, College Park, Ga. Subsequently they appeared at the Tallapoosa (Ga.) Methodist Church and at the Haralson County High School, at Bremen (Ga.) High, at Moultrie (Ga.) Methodist Church, at First United Methodist in Winter Garden (Fla.), at Howie Academy (Fla.), First United Methodist in Lake Wales (Fla.) and following Disney World, at Jesup (Ga.) Methodist. Sightseeing included the Bok Tower and Silver Springs. Alumnae acted as hostesses, as always, one of the chief delights of the trip.

Crown and Scepter, Wesleyan's honor society, has been accepted officially into Mortar Board, national senior women's honor society. National officers will conduct an initiation and installation on campus Sat., March 4, followed by a banquet. All alumnae members of Crown and Scepter will be invited to join Mortar Board. President is Lynn Golsen, Gray, Ga.

Mrs. Joanne Widner, Wesleyan's director of public relations, will exhibit watercolors and acrylics in the Willet Library the first two weeks of April. Some of this work was done during her Christmas trip to Spain and Portugal. Three of her paintings were shown at the Winter Arts Festival of the Middle Georgia Art Assn. at Westgate Shopping Center the week of Jan. 24, and one was selected to be hung at the Annual Gallery Show of the Macon Museum of Arts and Sciences.

An organ recital by 19-year-old Carlo James Curley was presented by the Music Department before the holidays. Played on the massive Candler organ in Porter auditorium, the program was sponsored by Mrs. Asa Candler, of Atlanta.

A portion of a sermon by Wesleyan's President Strickland entitled "A Kiss That Showed No Love" has been included in the 47th edition of "The Minister's Manual", published by Harper and Row.

A Foreign Service Officer of the US State Dept. discussed "US-Soviet Relations" at convocation February 10, co-sponsored by Wesleyan's Pi Gamma Mu Honor Society, the Macon League of Women Voters, and the Macon Council on World Affairs. Speaker was Dr. Jack Perry, officer-in-charge of multilateral relations in the Office of Soviet Union Affairs. A luncheon in the Manget Dining room followed. Senior Joyce Rice is president of PGM; Miss Cornelia Shiver is faculty sponsor and secretary. Alumnae head the other groups: Eleanor Adams Scott, LWV, and Freda Kaplan Nadler, Council.

Miss Frances Strohecker, who has served as secretary to six presidents of Wesleyan, is to retire at the end of the school year. Due to the illness of her mother she has been on campus only part time since the holidays. Dr. Strickland's new secretary is Mrs. Betty Davis, of Macon. She has one daughter, 13.

Do you see news of Wesleyan in your papers or magazines? Many of these stories are written by journalism students of Archie N. McKay, city editor of the Macon Telegraph. The girls will continue to send Wesleyan publicity to hometown newspapers. Mr. McKay asks that friends of Wesleyan kindly clip and send these releases to him or the Alumnae Office at Wesleyan.



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